

## House Resolution No. 156

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who admirably have helped improve quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their achievements as federal employees; and

**Whereas**, Harold D. Johnston of Lee's Summit, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as the Postmaster of the United States Postal Service main office on Southwest Market Street in Lee's Summit, a vocational and leadership calling that he drew to a close on January 3, 2008, in well-deserved retirement; and

**Whereas**, Postmaster at the Southwest Market Street facility for more than twenty-eight years, Harold Johnston never let rain, sleet, snow, dark of night, or illness keep him from arising at 5:00 each morning and traveling to work; and

**Whereas**, Harold Johnston began working for the United States Postal Service in 1968 as a substitute distribution clerk in Muncie, Indiana, and he arrived in Lee's Summit in 1979; and

**Whereas**, Harold Johnston used his position as Postmaster to make successful plans for the post office to keep up with the growth of Lee's Summit, which has gone from 28,000 to 90,000 persons and from 12,000 homes and businesses to more than 42,000 during his nearly three decades of service to the area; and

**Whereas**, at his retirement ceremony on January 3, 2008, Harold Johnston was presented with a flag that had flown over the post office, lowered and folded military style, and then placed in a triangular wooden display case; and

**Whereas**, Harold Johnston is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Deborah, whom he married thirty-seven years ago; the loving father of three children; and the wonderful grandfather of seven:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered by Harold Johnston as a Postmaster and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Harold D. Johnston of Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jeff Grisamore  
District No. 47

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 156, adopted January 17, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker